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*Alfred.* But the murderer who goes composedly to the gallows manifests callousness of feeling, not bravery.

*Alonzo.* It is the same in both cases. Some absorbing thought triumphs over the fear of death. "To die game," is in different phrase the motive. Men love reputation better than life. Think of the duelist!

*Alfred.* Who call you then the brave man?

*Alonzo.* He who can carry out into action the highest principle of our nature — *love* — whatever be the result to himself. He who fears neither calumny nor reproach. He who is true to his convictions of right, ever and always, come what will!

*Alfred.* And does not the military hero often manifest this heroism of soul?

*Alonzo.* I do not say that true heroism is never manifested in battle; but how many of the military would fight if there was neither reputation nor wealth to be gained by it? Is not reputation among men, or glory, the great, the acknowledged motive of the soldier? Make the profession as disgraceful as the hang-man's, and would you have many military heroes?

*Alfred.* I am sorry to hear you compare our gallant officers to hang-men!

*Alonzo.* What is the difference? Do not both kill for the *good* of their country. Because it is their *duty*? Let no more reputation attach to the soldier than to the executioner, and war is at end.

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### THE ANGEL SONG OF PEACE.

The silvery moon her light was streaming  
O'er Bethlehem's towers and fanes,  
And the shining stars of Heaven were beaming  
O'er Judea's grassy plains.

Where shepherds, while their flocks they tended,  
Their hearts to God upraise;—  
In songs, whose sweet accordance blended  
Devotion, love and praise.

But suddenly, a sweeter strain  
Comes from the far off skies,  
And anon, the sound is heard again,  
And anon, its echo dies.

"Peace! Peace! Peace on earth,"—  
Was the song of the seraphim,  
And the anthem too proclaimed the birth  
And sang the praise of Him,

Who should turn the hands and hearts of men  
 From their deeds of sin and strife,  
 And direct those souls to good again  
 That with evil thoughts were rife.

And the angels sang of "holy time,  
 When spears should be used no more,  
 When the din of arms, of war and crime,  
 Should cease from shore to shore.

"Of the milder sway of the Prince of Peace,  
 Sent from the realms above,  
 To fill the earth with a glad increase,  
 Of kindness, of faith and love."

And the shepherd group assembled there,  
 As they heard that song in heaven,  
 Then fell on their knees, with fervent prayer,  
 Giving thanks, for the blessing given.

T. D.

Worcester, March, 1846.

## UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD. GREAT SOCIAL MOVEMENT.

BY THE EDITOR.

Neither steam nor sail ever wafted to the American shore news of deeper interest to the well-being of humanity, than that brought out in the Cambria, on the 19th ult. Measures, both legislative and social, have been proposed and nearly perfected, which will change the attitude of the two nations toward each other, and bind them together in new and ever-strengthening bonds of brotherhood. All the interests that are dear to human nature and human society, have been arrayed on the side of Peace, and made eloquent in its behalf. Christianity, Consanguinity, Commerce, and common language and laws, are pleading for peace, and drawing us together with all the strength of their affinities. The force of these ties has come to be felt and expressed by the people of Great Britain in a depth of sentiment and form of utterance which must reach the governments of both nations. While the greatest statesman that ever honored that kingdom was urging through Parliament a measure calculated to fuse the Anglo-Saxon race into one great commercial, family circle, thousands and thousands of British subjects, embracing all conditions of society, were assaying to shake hands across the ocean with their brethren of the United States, and,—using the Indian metaphor—to brighten the chain of mutual friendship—to strengthen and multiply its golden links, to bury every reminiscence of hostility, and to revive every one of fraternal union and amity. This interesting social movement was noticed briefly in the last number of the Advocate; but as it bids fair to become one of the brightest items as yet entered upon the records of Peace, we feel constrained to give its history in full, for the reference of peace-makers of a subsequent age.

By the Hibernia, which arrived from England on the 23d of January, we received the following communication and document from Manchester.

Esteemed Friend, Elihu Burritt:—We make no doubt but thou wilt be quite glad to receive the enclosed documents. They will fully explain themselves; and as our time is limited, thou must excuse our saying much. The notice which the subject has claimed in so short a period as two weeks, we consider quite extraordinary. We hope it is indicative of a hearty reciprocation from our American brethren, and of the benefit that will result from such a friendly correspondence. Though personally unknown, thy name is